

**DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION**

As a below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

We believe we are an original, and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled MOLDED ORTHOPAEDIC DEVICES which is a CIP application of the specification which was filed on February 15, 2000 and assigned serial no. 09/504,980 which is a CIP application of the specification filed February 3, 1998 and assigned serial no. 09/018,318 which is a CIP application of the specification which was filed on December 28, 1995 and assigned serial no. 08/580,129.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

We hereby declare: All statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. These statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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as my attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute said application and to transact in connection therewith all business in the Patent and Trademark Office and before competent International Authorities.

Wherefore we pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims; and we hereby subscribe our names to the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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**VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
**(37 C.F.R 1.9(f) and 1.27(c)) — Small Business Concern**

I declare that I am

- ☐ the owner or an officer of the small business concern identified below:  
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern  
identified below:

Name of Concern: Royce Medical Company

Address of Concern: 742 Pancho Road  
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I declare that the this small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. § 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under 35 U.S.C. § 41(a) and (b), in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

The rights held by the above identified small business concern are exclusive.

I declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to this invention, which is described in the specification filed with this declaration.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b))

I declare that all statements made in this document of my own knowledge are true. I believe all statements made on information and belief are true. I make these statements with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing from the application.

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